## Remarks

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned should there be any questions regarding this application.

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## VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

1. (Amended) [In a] A stackable low depth case for retaining and transporting bottles, the case comprising opposing side walls and opposing end walls forming an outer shell, [having a longitudinal axis and a transverse axis;] a case bottom disposed substantially within said outer shell, [; said improvement] the case comprising:

said side walls including a lower wall portion and a plurality of spaced upwardly projecting pylons, four corner pylons defining four corners of the case wherein at least one of the lower wall portions includes an upper edge and a lower edge each having a contoured shape substantially along the length thereof; and

a plurality of spaced upwardly projecting columns generally disposed within the outer shell defining, in combination with the case bottom, said side walls, and said end walls, a plurality of bottle retaining pockets, said columns and said pylons extending above the lower wall portions and below a top surface of the retained bottles [; and

at least one of said lower wall portions including an integrally molded logo].

- 2. (AMENDED) [A] <u>The</u> stackable case <u>of</u> [as in] claim 1 wherein [said logo] <u>the upper and lower edges of the at least one lower wall portion</u> substantially [defines] <u>define</u> an exterior surface of said lower wall portion.
- 3. (AMENDED) [A] The stackable case of [as in] claim 2 wherein said lower wall portion further includes a plurality of retaining tabs substantially defining an interior surface of said lower wall portion and extending upwards from said case bottom.